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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

1432 Wilson Street





MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a house fire at 1432 Wilson Street, Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 5:44 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported heavy fire visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Seventeen (17) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately thirty-six (36) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Division Chief P. Dix was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 6:09 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

It has been determined that the residence **did not have** a working smoke alarm. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$5,000.00 structure and \$1,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be a candle left unattended on the front exterior of the home. The adjacent home (1436 Wilson) sustained \$6,000.00 damage. Red Cross assistance was not requested.

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** online at: https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/ or call the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY issues please dial (901) 458-8281.